

## THE SITTING ROOM.

No Other Place so Perfectly Typifies the Communism of the Family.

No room in the house so perfectly typifies the communism of a family, the true uniting in the diversity of the individuals, as the sitting-room. It is the center of the social life of the household. It is "mother's room." There she is oftenest found in her moments of leisure, ready to hear, to sympathize, to console and to advise.

Here the father frolics with his children, here they listen to song and story and read aloud, here the troubles of the day dwindle and disappear or are softened and lessened by united sympathizing and soothing surroundings; here nuts and mild jokes are cracked and rosy apples and fragrant oranges lend their flavor and juicy richness to the homely scene, while without the wind blows, the rain falls or the snow flies.

To make this room the hearthstone, its furnishings should contain elements that appeal to the tastes and pursuits of each of the members of the household. There should be room, if possible, for favorite chairs and shelves or bookcases, and tables for each one's choice of books and papers, and for undisturbed corners and cozy nooks, or portion of a drawer or a curtained shelf. Places where the studios, the ambitious or the thoughtful can work out their pet projects, or keep safely their treasured plans and possessions, ready for the sudden inspiration or the industrious mood, which quite as often seizes one amid the family chatter as in the solitude of one's own room.

To secure all this will require considerable outlay as well as much unselfish thought on the part of the homemaker. The outlay, however, can usually be modified, adding purchases from time to time as family growth and taste may show them to be desirable. Indeed, the true furnishing of such a room, after a certain point, must be a matter of growth. Given the bare bones of chairs, tables and curtains, the rounded form and vigorous expression of the sitting-room must grow out of the mental and moral life of the family, grow out of the social, intellectual and spiritual food on which the family feeds.

Of course furnishing selected with this aim in view will be as varied as families are, for what expresses comfort and gives help and solace to one family would be tiresome, inane or comfortless to others.

Each home writes its own history sooner or later in its furnishings and arrangements. Even straightened means—that oft-berated foe of family luxury—can not prevent the telling of the tale. Year by year slips by, purchase after purchase is made, chapter after chapter is written. What we most desire we bend our circumstances to secure, and therefore the home does express, in the long run, what we are and what we feel. This being true, let us not be impatient; let us proceed thoughtfully, unselfishly and carefully, that our home center may not express sordid lives, ungenerous natures or narrow minds.—Harper's Weekly.

## GOOD LAMPS.

The Secret of Keeping Them in Perfect Working Order.

In these days when lamps are used so much the care of them is quite an important matter. If the lamps be good and have proper attention one can not wish for a more satisfactory light, but if badly cared for they will be a source of much discomfort. The great secret of having lamps in good working order is to keep them clean and to use good oil. Have a regular place and time for cleaning the lamps. Put a folded newspaper on the table, so that any stray bits of burned wick or drops of oil may fall upon it. Wash and wipe the chimneys and shades. Now take off all loose parts of the burner, washing them in hot soap-suds and wiping with a clean soft cloth. Trim the wicks and turn them quite low. With a soft, wet cloth, well soaked, wipe the burner thoroughly, working the cloth as much as possible inside the burner, to get off every particle of the charred wick. Now fill the lamps within about one inch of the top and wipe with a damp towel and then a dry one. Adjust all the parts and return them to their proper places. Whenever a new wick is required in a lamp wash and seal the burner before putting in the wick. With a student lamp the receptacle for waste oil, which is screwed on the bottom of the burner, should be taken off at least once a week and washed. Sometimes a wick will get very dark and dirty before it is half consumed. It is not economy to try to burn it; replace it with a fresh one. The trouble and expense are slight, and the increased clearness and brilliancy will repay the extra care. When a lamp is lighted it should not at once be turned up to the full height; wait until the chimney is heated. Beautiful shades are often cracked or broken by having the hot chimneys rest against them. Now, when lighting a lamp, be careful that the chimney is set perfectly straight, and does not touch the shade at any point. The shade should be placed on the lamp as soon as it is lighted, that it may heat gradually.—Chicago Herald.

—Room at the Top.—Dusty Rhodes—"When I started out in life I was told there was room at the top, and I found it so." Dogood—"How was that?" Dusty Rhodes—"It was a back hall room under the eaves."—N. Y. Herald.

## Here It Is.

To the man who labors with his hands, physical trouble is a very serious thing. It is not merely the pain he endures, racking and tormenting as it is, but the prospective loss of time, money and place haunts him and aggravates his suffering. He is bent on having prompt relief and sure cure. He wants the best and the proof and here it is:—Mr. W. H. Schroeder, Gilbertville, Iowa, stated April 10, 1884, that he had used St. Jacobs Oil in his stables for horse complaints and upon himself for rheumatism, and had found it the best remedy he had ever tried. Again, Feb'y 11, 1887, he writes: "I have used St. Jacobs Oil for rheumatism and sore back, as stated, and it cured; and for burns and bruises it does its work as recommended to do. I always keep it in the house and recommend it to my neighbors."—Mr. John Garbutt, 656 Minna St., San Francisco, Cal., writes: "Some time back I sprained my knee and suffered agony until I tried St. Jacobs Oil. The result was a speedy and permanent cure."—Miss Ida M. Fleming, 7 S. Carey St., Baltimore, Md., says: "I had been afflicted for two years with neuralgia, and tried every means to get rid of the tormenting disease. I had been given so much quinine that my nervous system was seriously injured. I was advised to use St. Jacobs Oil, which I did, and it relieved me entirely."

Clothing will make the man if he only sells enough of it at a good profit.—Texas Sittings.

## Winter Excursions.

The Chicago, Union Pacific & North-Western Line offers the very best facilities to persons desirous of visiting the resorts of California, Portland, Oregon, or Puget Sound points. Excursion tickets, good six months from time of purchase, are now on sale at very low rates and patrons of the line are assured a quick and comfortable journey. Solid Vestibuled Trains of coaches, free Reclining Chair Cars and Palace Sleeping Cars are run through from Chicago to Portland, Oregon, with Pullman Drawing Room Sleeping Cars from Chicago to San Francisco without change, and excellent meals are served in Dining Cars. Tickets should read via the Chicago and North-Western, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific Railways. Full information and reservation of space in sleeping cars can be obtained upon application to any Ticket Agent or by addressing W. A. Thrall, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago & North-Western Railway, Chicago, Ill.

When a man is too lazy to walk around a mud-hole, he should not be commended for bravery in walking through it.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

The question before the house: "Do you want your sidewalk shoveled off?"—Yonkers Statesman.

The Only One Ever Printed—Can You Find the Word?

There is a 3 inch display advertisement in this paper, this week, which has no two words alike except one word. The same is true of each new one appearing each week, from The Dr. Harter Medicine Co. This house places a "Crescent" on everything they make and publish. Look for it, send them the name of the word and they will return you book, beautiful lithographs or samples free.

A HIGH-TONED singer is generally off his base.—Binghamton Republican.

BEAUTY is like an almanac; if it last a year it is well.—T. Adams.

MAN wants the car, but it is the house-keeper who gets the dust.

"SOMETHING that should be looked into"—a microscope.—Washington Star.

Is it proper to call the night clerk a wide awake druggist?—Pharmaceutical Era.

A good many men are more interested in having work than poverty abolished.—Texas Sittings.

Pride goeth before a fall, and he who liveth on the bluff may expect to take a tumble.—Indianapolis Journal.

The reason why the ocean is so often called treacherous must be because it is so full of craft.—Boston Post.

The talkative man is sound to the core.—Binghamton Republican.

A WEATHER profit—An income on the sale of overcoats.—Washington Star.

A TURN-UP affair—a wrestling match.—Texas Sittings.

It will require more than nine tailors to make a man of the average dude.

"Do you know, I don't think much of Mayson." "You don't have to. You can size Mayson up in two seconds."—Brooklyn Life.

"CHECKED your grip yet?" asked the giraffe. "Didn't have to," replied the elephant. "I have it in my trunk."—Indianapolis Journal.

"I suppose you think you've got me into a pickle," said the copperas to the cook when she threw it into the jar of cucumbers.—Pharmaceutical Era.

PLEDGES that are reasonably sure of being kept for awhile at least are those entrusted to the pawnbrokers.—Philadelphia Times.

## Catarrh--Remove the Cause.

I was afflicted from infancy with Catarrh, and for ten years with eruptions on my face. I was attended by the best physicians, and used a number of Blood remedies with no permanent relief. MY LIFE BECAME A BURDEN TO ME, for my case was declared incurable. I saw S. S. S. advertised, and took eight bottles, which cured me entirely, and I feel like a new person.—Miss JOSIE OWEN, Montpelier, Ohio.

I was the victim of the worst case of Catarrh that I ever heard of. I was entirely deaf in one ear, and all the inside of my nose, including part of the bone, sloughed off. No sort of treatment benefited me, and physicians said "I would never be any better." As a last resort I took Swift's Specific, and it entirely cured me and restored my hearing. I have been well for years, with no sign of return of the disease.—Mrs. JOSEPHINE POLHILL, Duwitt, S. C. S. S. S. cures Catarrh, like it does other Blood diseases, by eliminating the poison which causes it. Treatise on Blood and Skin mailed free.

SWIFT SPECIFIC COMPANY, ATLANTA, GA.

PERHAPS no local disease has puzzled and baffled the medical profession more than nasal catarrh. While not immediately fatal it is among the most distressing, nauseous and disgusting ills the flesh is heir to, and the records show very few or no cases of radical cure of chronic catarrh by any of the multitudes of modes of treatment until the introduction of Ely's Cream Balm a few years ago. The success of this preparation has been most gratifying and surprising. Apply Balm into each nostril. It is Quickly Absorbed. Gives Relief at once. Price 50 cents at Druggists.

The cheerful live longest in years, and afterwards in our regards. Cheerfulness is the offshoot of goodness.—Bovee.

## An Important Difference.

To make it apparent to thousands, who think themselves ill, that they are not affected with any disease, but that the system simply needs cleansing, is to bring comfort home to their hearts, as a positive condition is easily cured by using Syrup of Figs. Manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co.

When an Irish baby is in the cradle you can't compose it with a sham-rock.—Boston Courier.

Mr. JOHN C. Feriman, Albion, Illinois, writes on Jan. 16th, 1891: "My wife has been a great sufferer from headaches for over 20 years, and your Bradycrine is the only remedy that has ever relieved her. I can get you all the recommendations you want from here. We take great pleasure in recommending it on all occasions."

Who thinketh to buy villainy with good shall find such faith so bought, so sold.—Marston.

SUDDEN CHANGES OF WEATHER cause Throat Diseases. There is no more effective remedy for Coughs, Colds, etc., than BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES. Sold only in boxes. Price 25 cts.

LOVING kindness is greater than laws; and the charities of life are more than all ceremonies.—Talmud.

Don't Neglect a Cough. Take some Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar instantly. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

TEACHER—"What is the feminine of man?" Little Girl—"Dude."—Brooklyn Life.

BEECHAM'S PILLS have been in popular use in Europe for 50 years and are a safe, sure and gentle remedy. 25 cents a box.

It is a cold day when a young lady keeps a booby about her neck.

## "August Flower"

I had been troubled five months with Dyspepsia. I had a fullness after eating, and a heavy load in the pit of my stomach. Sometimes a deathly sickness would overtake me. I was working for Thomas McHenry, Druggist, Allegheny City, Pa., in whose employ I had been for seven years. I used August Flower for two weeks. I was relieved of all trouble. I can now eat things I dared not touch before. I have gained twenty pounds since my recovery. J. D. Cox, Allegheny, Pa. ©

HE HAD THE GRIP.  
MR. E. SCHLICHTING, living at No. 2049 Third Ave., New York City, wrote the following under date of Dec. 29th, 1891. Two weeks ago I was taken with severe pains in my back, head, chest and throat, in fact my whole body ached and I concluded it must be the grip. I used two bottles of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup and found relief, the third bottle cured me. Two of my children were taken the same way and two bottles cured them. Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup is worth its weight in gold.

The loss of flesh is a trifle. You think you need not mind it.

But, if you go on losing for some time or lose a good deal in a short time, you are running down. Is that a trifle?

Get back to your healthy weight and generally you get back to health.

A book on CAREFUL LIVING will tell you what it is to get there, and when Scott's Emulsion of cod-liver oil is useful. Free.

Scott & Bowne, Chemists, 132 South 5th Avenue, New York.

Your druggist keeps Scott's Emulsion of cod-liver oil—all druggists everywhere do. 5c.

**SALVATION OIL**  
TRADE MARK  
KILLS ALL PAIN 25c A BOTTLE  
Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure your cough for 25c.

DR. TART'S ASTHMA CURE  
ASTHMA CURED—never fails, and no matter how long you have had it, send us your name, we will mail you a FREE TREATISE ON ASTHMA, and a FREE BOTTLE OF TART'S ASTHMA CURE. Address, DR. TART'S ASTHMA CURE, 100 N. 3rd St., New York, N.Y. FREE.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.



COPYRIGHT 1891

Hard to take—the big, old-fashioned pill. It's pretty hard to have to take it, too. You wouldn't, if you realized fully how it shocks and weakens the system.

Luckily, you don't have to take it. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are better. They're sensible. They do, mildly and gently, more than the ordinary pill, with all its disturbance. They regulate the liver, stomach and bowels, as well as thoroughly cleanse them. They're the original Little Liver Pills, purely vegetable, perfectly harmless, the smallest and the easiest to take. One little Pellet for a gentle laxative—three for a cathartic. Sick Headache, Bilious Headache, Constipation, Indigestion, Bilious Attacks, and all derangements of the Liver, Stomach and Bowels are promptly and permanently cured. They're the cheapest, too, for they're guaranteed to give satisfaction, or your money is returned. You pay only for the good you get.

**W. L. DOUGLAS**  
\$3 SHOE GENTLEMEN  
THE BEST SHOE IN THE WORLD FOR THE MONEY?  
GENTLEMEN AND LADIES, save your dollars by wearing W. L. Douglas Shoes. They meet the wants of all classes, and are the most economical foot-wear ever offered for the money. Beware of dealers who offer other makes, as being just as good, and be sure you have W. L. Douglas Shoes, with name and price stamped on bottom. W. L. Douglas, Brockton, Mass.

TAKE NO SUBSTITUTE.

Insist on local advertised dealers supplying you.

**DR. HARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS**  
DO NOT GRIPE NOR SICKEN.  
Sure cure for SICK HEADACHE, impaired digestion, constipation, torpid glands. They arouse vital organs, remove nausea, disengage and cleanse the bowels. Bilious nervous disorders. Establish natural DAILY ACTION.  
Beautify complexion by purifying blood. PURELY VEGETABLE.  
The dose is nicely adjusted to suit case, as one pill can never be too much. Each vial contains 42, carried in vest pocket, like lead pencil. Business man's great convenience. Taken easier than sugar. Sold everywhere. All genuine goods bear "Crescent."  
Send 2-cent stamp. You get 25 page book with sample.  
DR. HARTER MEDICINE CO., St. Louis, Mo.

**FREE SEEDS**  
Grandest Illustrated Garden-Guide. 1 cent a packet. Cheapest, Best of all. Free by mail, 50,000 packets of extras to Customers. Send at once for Free Book. H. H. SHAW, Rockford, Ill.  
NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

**EPPS'S COCOA**  
GRATEFUL-COMFORTING.  
LABELLED 1-2 LB. TINS ONLY.  
A ROBBER OR THIEF  
Is better than the lying scale agent who tells you as gospel truth that the Jones' \$60. 5 Ton Wagon Scale is not a standard scale, and equal to any made. For free book and price list, address Jones of Binghamton, Binghamton, N.Y.

**Patents! Pensions**  
Send for Inventor's Guide or How to Obtain a Patent. Send for Book of PATENTS and BOUNTY LAWS. PATRICK O'FARRELL, WASHINGTON, D. C.  
NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

Our Three Needle Embroidering machine makes runs with yarn or crewel. Fine embroidery with silk or sequins. Circulars and terms to agents free. Machine, colored patterns, book, catalogues, price lists, directions, etc., all by mail for \$1.00. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. E. H. H. & Co., Toledo, Ohio.

**ST. LOUIS Watchmaking SCHOOL.**  
If you want your son to become a first class Watchmaker send him to JAEGERMANN'S Practical Watchmaking School. For terms write to JAEGERMANN, 628 Second Street, ST. LOUIS, MO.  
NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## RISE SUN STOVE POLISH

DO NOT BE DECEIVED  
With Paines, Emerys, and Polishes which stain the hands, injure the iron, and burn off the Rising Sun Stove Polish is Brilliant, Odorless, Durable, and the consumer pays for no tin or glass package with every purchase.

## What Piano?

Musically, it is of immense importance what one you buy. Its life will be many years; years that will make or mar your musical life. Then don't make a choice that you will regret all these years.

In the Ivers and Pond you not only get a first-class piano; you get all you pay for.

We send on approval, at our risk and expense, or direct you to a dealer who can supply you. Write for Catalogue.

## Ivers & Pond

Piano Company, Boston.

## Kennedy's Medical Discovery

Takes hold in this order:

**Bowels, Liver, Kidneys, Inside Skin, Outside Skin.**  
Driving everything before it that ought to be out.

You know whether you need it or not.

Sold by every druggist, and manufactured by

**DONALD KENNEDY, BOSTON, MASS.**

GOLD MEDAL, PARIS, 1878.

## W. BAKER & CO'S Breakfast Cocoa

from which the excess of oil has been removed. Is absolutely pure and it is soluble.

No Chemicals are used in its preparation. It has more than three times the strength of Cocoa mixed with Starch, Arrowroot or Sugar, and is therefore far more economical, costing less than one cent a cup. It is delicious, nourishing, strengthening, EASILY DIGESTED, and admirably adapted for invalids as well as for persons in health.

Sold by Grocers everywhere.

W. BAKER & CO., Dorchester, Mass.

## RUMELY TRACTION AND PORTABLE ENGINES.

Threshers and Horse Powers. Write for Illustrated Catalogue, mailed Free. M. RUMELY CO., LA PORTE, IND.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## ASTHMA CURED

No matter how long standing DR. HAMILTON'S ASTHMA CURE gives instant relief and cures every case. It is not a snuff or a liquid, is easily used, and guaranteed to cure when perseveringly used. Price, \$1.00 at druggists, or by mail, 6 boxes, \$5. Address, E. H. H. & Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## ASTHMA CURED TO STAY CURED.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## FAT FOLKS REDUCED

15 to 25 lbs. per month by harmless herbals. No starving, no inconvenience, and no bad effects. Strictly confidential. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address, O. W. F. SYLVESTER, Mowbray's Theatre, Chicago, Ill.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## A BEAUTIFUL CRAZY

quilt of \$50.00 in 100 yds. of 60 splendid silk, made bright colors. 25c. 1 yd. 50c. 10 yds. \$5.00. Little Perry, N. Y.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## HOME STUDY. Book-keeping, Penmanship, Arithmetic, Bookbinding, etc., thoroughly taught by mail. Trial lessons free. Bryant & Stratton, Buffalo, N. Y.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## PENSIONS

See all numbers & disabled. \$100 for life. A. W. NEWMAN & SONS, Washington, D. C. 1 Cincinnati, O.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## RUPTURE

POSITIVELY CURED BY J. H. HARRIS, M. D. Send for circular for \$1.00. Dr. J. H. HARRIS, 100 N. 3rd St., New York, N.Y.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

## OPIMUM

Morphine Habit Cured in 10 to 20 days. No pills, no cure. Dr. J. STEPHENS, Lebanon, Ohio.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.

**PISO'S CURE FOR CONSUMPTION**  
Consumptives and people who have weak lungs or Asthma, should use PISO'S Cure for Consumption. It has cured thousands. It is not injurious to the system, and it is the best cough syrup. Sold everywhere. 25c.

NAME THIS PAPER every time you write.